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# AJ Communiqué

## Administration of Justice Degree Program

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### Advisor's Column

To those of you who are returning SIUC students, welcome back! To all new AJ majors, welcome to the Program! I want to remind all AJ students of the crucial role I can play in your college career here at SIUC.

From course selection to choice of a minor, and from internship placement to helping with career decisions, it's my job to see that you get the maximum academic experience at SIUC. See me for any questions about your academic progress. Don't rely on information of this sort from your friends. Their situation could be vastly different from yours. If you have difficulty with some of your courses, or with other college issues, don't panic! I will answer your questions, give you a set of options, or refer you to the source of the information or assistance you need. In short, I'm your ticket to a smooth AJ voyage at SIUC!

### University "Survival Tips"

I'd like to mention a few miscellaneous items that could enhance your experience at SIUC. First, attend class regularly! It is virtually impossible for you to be academically successful if you skip classes. Remember the numbers and titles of your courses. It's embarrassing to drop a course you wanted to keep because you got it mixed up with another. Also, don't forget to register early for the Fall 2008 semester! This can relieve a lot of scheduling headaches.

On a more positive note, don't forget to take advantage of the plentiful social and recreational activities here at SIUC. Saluki sports events, concerts, theatrical productions, guest lectures and many student clubs and organizations can be an important part of your university experience. ***Just remember to set your priorities: studies first, then recreation!*** This formula will allow you to be both academically successful and enjoy the many fun things to do on and around campus.

**SU/F '08 registration appointment dates:  
Seniors graduating in Summer or Fall '08 can begin  
setting appointments with CoLA Advisement on:  
1/28/08**

All other students can begin walk-ins on 3/3/08. See me before actually registering so I can help you select your AJ courses. CoLA Advisement: Faner 1229, ph.: 453-3388.

### Spring '08 add/drop dates are:

*Last day to drop a SP '08 course for a full tuition refund: 1/25/08  
Last day to drop a SP '08 course without instructor consent: 3/17/08  
Last day to add a SP '08 class: 1/25/08*

### Finally...

I hope this information helps you start the Spring '08 semester off on the right track. Remember to contact me if you have any questions about your major, career options, or academic problems throughout the semester. Good luck, and have a great semester!

### Spring 2008 Dates to Remember:

#### 1. SIU Criminal Justice Association:

Take advantage of a great opportunity and join this exciting RSO, and get some added value of your AJ experience at SIUC! CJ Association members are involved in the AJ Career and Internship Fair, Spring Banquet, Homecoming, and hear from many distinguished guest speakers at their bi-weekly meetings. **Watch for a notice of their first Spring '08 meeting.** Get involved!

#### 2. New AJ Students:

The AJ Department has an orientation session scheduled for:  
**Wednesday, January 30, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in Parkinson 202.**

All new AJ majors, transfer students, and freshmen should make sure to attend this orientation!

#### 3. Planning an Internship:

For AJ students planning a Spring or Summer '08 internship, an orientation session is scheduled for: **Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in Parkinson 202.** Attendance at this session is essential for a successful internship.

#### 4. Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society:

Consider joining Alpha Phi Sigma, the national criminal justice honor society. The organization recognizes outstanding academic achievement in the administration of justice major. Membership is open to students who have completed at least 4 AJ courses and have maintained a 3.2 GPA in the AJ major and a 3.2 GPA overall. Contact Dr. Corsaro for details and application information.

#### 5. 18<sup>th</sup> Annual AJ Banquet:

The next AJ Banquet will be held on **April 19, 2008**. Tickets will go on sale in my office around mid-March. ***Be a part of a great AJ tradition. Don't miss this event!!!***

#### 6. AJ Career and Internship Fair:

The next AJ Career and internship Fair will be held on October 28, 2008. More details will come in the Fall Communiqué.

#### 7. Scholarships

The AJ Advisor will start receiving scholarship information in January, 2008 for the '08-09 academic year. If you have an interest in applying for various scholastic awards, see Michael Harbin in Faner 4244 for information, criteria, and applications.

#### 8. Computer Lab

The AJ department has a first-rate computer lab available to all AJ students located in Faner 4321. See Mariann Baratta in 4240 Faner to acquire a user name and password to access the lab's computers.